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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket No.  
11954-1920

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop RCE  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

In re Application of: **Schmidt, et al.**

Application Number: **10/044,682**

Filed: **11-09-01**

For: **Apparatus for Transferring Poultry Carcasses**

Group Art Unit: **3643**

Examiner: **David J. Parsley**

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12/13/03

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate small-entity fee are as follows:  
(check time period desired):

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))    | \$ 55.00    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))   | \$ 210.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$ 475.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))  | \$ 740.00   |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))  | \$ 1,005.00 |

- ☐ Payment of the Extension of Time appears in the enclosed Amendment Transmittal Letter. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25.

- OR -

- ☒ Payment is enclosed as follows:
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| <input type="checkbox"/>            | A check in the amount of _____ enclosed.   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached in the amount of 540.00  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge _____ to a Deposit Account  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. _____. A duplicate copy is enclosed. |

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Nov. 20, 2003  
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